

**WPA-Paine Field Chapter
Board Meeting Minutes
Dec. 7, 2006**

PRESENT: Robert Hamilton, Kevin Kelly, Sandy Allen, Stephanie Allen, Jerry Blanchard, Jim Fries, Gary Hill, Rich Jones, Susan Kennedy, Dick Kinnier, Dave and Kelly Van Horn, Dave Wheeler, (Anna Poole, minutes)

1. Minutes from November 2006

Approved after spelling errors corrected

2. Treasurer's Report (Dave and Kelly Van Horn)

A. Dave and Kelly Van Horn submitted the Treasurer's Report and it was accepted.

B. The Post Office account for newsletter postage will be due in April. David gets the mailings and he tracks the balance.

C. Robert Hamilton used the last check from the chapter's bank account and he has nothing fiscal to pass along to Incoming President Kevin Kelly

D. The Treasurer and Incoming President will decide what makes sense in regard to the chapter check signing authority.

3. Agenda

A. Christmas Party Recap (Kelly Van Horn)

Board members expressed their satisfaction with the Gala, describing it as a "terrific party" and noting that the Lynnwood Embassy Suites was an excellent venue serving spectacular food. It was also noted that Chapter members enjoy the time to socialize and the excellent food plus the door prizes were more appealing.

The Christmas Party netted about \$500 less than expenses, and tickets were \$40 per person.

The organizers, Kelly Van Horn and Sherri Smith, called for Board feedback on what to change for next year. It was suggested that

- More promotion and earlier promotion might have increased attendance,
- The program organizers might want to consider a more inclusive program that keeps the non-flying spouses in mind.

B. 2007 Membership Renewals (Dick Kinnier)

Approximately 76 to 100 of the 2006 members have not renewed their Chapter membership. Dick is sending out a letter and application to those who have not renewed. Anna will forward the 2007 calendar from the newsletter to Dick, and Jerry will generate labels from the membership database and forward to Dick. Kevin will post the renewal form on the Chapter Web site.

C. Newsletter Articles

Meet Your Officers (2007 substitute for Freddy Flyboy)
Christmas Party Roundup (Kelly Van Horn)
Toys for Tots Roundup (Jim Davidson)
Awards (Kurt K.)
Right Stuff Award (Kurt K.)
January Program Promo (Robert)
Volunteer Sign Up Board
Treasurer's Report (Dave Van Horn)
Membership Report (Dick Kinnier)
President's Letter (Kevin Kelly)

Articles due to the Editor on Dec. 13.

Newsletter to be completed by Dec. 15.

D. Jackpot, Nev. Fly Out (Jerry Blanchard for Larry Williams)

Larry is asking for e-mail comments/feedback:

-- Room rates will be \$104 for Friday and Saturday nights, which is a \$30 increase over last year.

Is this acceptable?

-- Should an alternate location be considered such as Reno, Carson City, Elko or others that are no more than a five-hour flight in a Cessna 172?

E. Monthly Meeting Programs (Robert Hamilton)

January: Dave Waggoner, Paine Field Update
February: NOAA-Government Weather person
March: Paul Allen's Flying Heritage Collection

Others: Washington State Patrol – Aviation Patrol
Port Townsend Flight Museum
Travelogue (Jim/Galapagos Islands)
Helicopter Traffic/VFR (Paul Tosh, who is the son of the Boeing Field founder)

Lindberg presentation might be off the table due to health reasons of the speaker

F. GA Day (Jim Fries)

Jim is sorting out the sub-committee duties and will work on getting folks signed up. Input is welcome, and Trains Planes and Cars might be a theme.

G. Hillsboro-Portland Fly Out

The date may be June 8-9-10. More info to come.

4. Other Business

A. Agendas for Upcoming Meetings

Kevin will share his business plan for upcoming board meetings with the board at the January meeting.

B. Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival

The poster will go out with the May Newsletter

C. State Board Meeting (Robert Hamilton & Kevin Kelly)

The last meeting was contentious after Jim Smith proposed that the annual business meeting be moved away from the Puyallup Fair. Jim suggested the meeting be composed of only WPA members and include a speaker and dinner on May 12 with a Fly In. He suggested that Mike Melville be the speaker and the event held at Paine Field Future of Flight. Jim's reasoning was that (1) The Puyallup Fair and the Washington Aviation Association Meeting isn't a WPA-focused event, and (2) Attendance is very low with only 25 to 30 members out of 2,000+ attending the state board meeting. If 50 attend the May 12 event, attendance would be doubled. The exception to these ideas was, "It's never been done that way before." The consequences are (1) The elections become an issue and (2) Changes to the by-laws will be considered. The elections will go forward and members should expect election materials via surface and e-mail.

Jim's term has ended and Colleen Turner may run for the presidency.

In a separate meeting, the Paine Field Chapter events were tentatively scheduled. They are:

- Wings in April, with the final date to be determined
- WPA Meeting, May 12
- General Aviation Day, May 19

D. E-mail Lists/Bounce Backs/

Kevin will work with Mitch to resolve the e-mail lists situation.

5. Standing Committee Reports

Completed and included in the above subjects

6. For the Next Meeting

A. Membership/Newsletter: Pacific Copy only makes as many newsletters as there are members on the mailing list. Does the Membership Chair need extra copies printed each month? If yes, how many?